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Thank you for allowing public input on the Microsoft Settlement.

As a consumer, I appreciate the balance America maintains between innovation and illegal monopoly efforts. With both elements in place, the our standard of living and economy has greatly increased. It is important that the legal safeguards are followed, but that they do not interfere with or cripple companies that promote innovation. If litigation is allowed to hamper legitimate efforts that experience success in the marketplace, we will soon be a nation without advances in many fields.

I believe that the Microsoft Case has already hurt consumers, crushed the stock market, and hampered innovation of both Microsoft and its competitors. It is time to settle the grievances and encourage growth in a struggling economy.

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